

**PATENT**

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**For: HOME NETWORK FOR ORDERING AND DELIVERY OF VIDEO ON DEMAND,  
TELEPHONE AND OTHER DIGITAL SERVICES**

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**Mail Stop Patent Application**  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Before calculating the filing fee, please amend the above identified continuation application as follows.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel claims 1- 35.

- 1 1. [new--formerly claim 1 of the parent application] A gateway apparatus
- 2 comprising:
  - 3 a host computer having a host bus;
  - 4 one or more local area network interfaces or bus interfaces coupling said
  - 5 host computer to one or more local area networks or buses than carry data
  - 6 between said gateway and one or more devices located at a customer premises;